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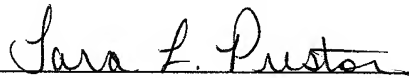
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 16, 2007, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 6 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** are described on page 8 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.

An **Appendix**, including four replacement drawing sheets, is attached  
following page 13 of this paper.